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In the Application of)
PARDIP K. VAID) Notice of Allowance Dated:
) September 30, 2004
on APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR) Group Art Unit: 3641
REMOVING THE SLIDE OF A SEMI-) Examiner: Stephen Johnson
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Serial No.: 09/778,490)
Filed on: February 7, 2001) (Our Docket No. 5001-0355)

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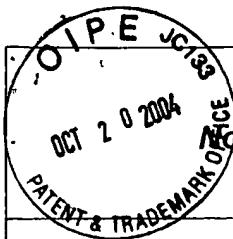
Dear Sirs:

In response to the Notice of Allowability dated September 30, 2004, a copy of which is enclosed, Applicant hereby submits three (3) sheets (Figs. 1-8) of formal drawings to replace the informal drawings forming part of the application as on file.

Respectfully submitted,

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Notice of Allowability

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Examiner	Art Unit	
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

- ☒ This communication is responsive to the amendment filed on 9/10/2004.
- ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are claims 1, 4-11, and 17.
- ☐ The drawings filed on _____ are accepted by the Examiner.
- ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - ☐ All
 - ☐ Some*
 - ☐ Noneof the:
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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- ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 - ☒ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - ☒ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date 6/7/2004.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

- ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
- ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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